

# CLARK COUNTY CLEAN WATER COMMISSION

## Meeting Notes

Wednesday, April 6, 2005

6:30 – 8:30 PM

LaCenter Community Center

1004 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street

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### Clark County Clean Water Commission Members Present

Tim Crawford, Anne Jackson, Bill Owen, Art Stubbs, and Virginia Van Breemen

### Clark County Clean Water Commission Members Absent

Robbie Agard and Susan Rasmussen

### Clark County Public Works Staff

Cary Armstrong and Kelli Frost

## Call to Order

### *Introduction*

The members of the Clark County Clean Water Commission, the public, and Clark County staff were introduced. The meeting was then called to order.

### *Agenda and material review*

The material for the meeting includes:

1. 4/6/05 Clean Water Commission Meeting Agenda
2. Editorial from the Columbian dated 3/30/05
3. Memorandum dated 3/18/05, memorialization of the 3/16/05 BOCC Work Session with Clean Water Commission.
4. 2005-2006 Clean Water Program Budget as of February 28, 2005

*Clark County Board of Commissioners and Clean Water Commission Work Session Packet of Materials 3/16/05*

Cary Armstrong reviewed, with the Clean Water Commissioners information contained in the Work Session Packet of Materials. More specifically maps and charts which state where the Clean Water Fee dollars are being spent in the Rural and Urban Areas and budget vs. expenses in 2003-2004 (copies of this information can be obtained by calling 360-397-6118 x 4345).

Mr. Stubbs stated that he would like the Clean Water Commission and/or staff to be involved in having the Cowlitz Tribe Casino pay their Clean Water Fee each year and have that be included in their memorandum of understanding. He also noted that they might not be obligated to pay the fee.

Mr. Owen suggested having the Clean Water Commission submit a letter to the Board of County Commissioners in support of the Cowlitz Tribe paying a Clean Water Fee once the casino is built.

Mr. Owen stated that at the Work Session between the Clean Water Commission and Board of County Commissioners, Commissioner Stuart seemed generally interested in the LID (Low Impact Development) issues the Clean Water Commission has been addressing.



Both Mr. Owen and Mr. Stubbs felt that the workshop between the Clean Water Commission and the Board of County Commissioners went very well.

#### *Whipple Creek*

Mr. Armstrong updated the Clean Water Commissioners on the Whipple Creek project. The initial scoping report has been submitted to Pete Capell, Public Works Director, for comments.

The Clean Water Commission Capital Sub-Committee will be reviewing/approving a schedule of projects organized by Mr. Soli (to be completed by the fall of 2005). Mr. Soli hopes to begin work on the Whipple Creek projects by the end of 2005.

#### *NPDES Permit*

Mr. Armstrong updated the Clean Water Commission regarding the NPDES permit status. The Cities of Battle Ground, Camas, Vancouver, and Washougal will be required to get a Phase II NPDES permit. Clark County will still be under the Phase I permit status. The Department of Ecology has stated that a preliminary draft permits will released for general review and comment in mid-May 2005, there is no date for the final permit issuance. The new permit will most likely end require Clark County to adopt development standards equivalent to the Ecology Stormwater Management Manual of Western Washington, the County currently uses the Puget Sound Manual published in 1992.

#### *Low Impact Development*

Mr. Stubbs stated that he would like to see the Builders Association take an active role in LID (Low Impact Development).

#### *Clean Water Program Budget*

Mr. Armstrong instructed the Clean Water Commissioners to review the budget handouts for discussion at the May Clean Water Commission Meeting.

Mr. Owen requested a list of current Capital projects to be included in the handouts for the next Clean Water Commission meeting (May 6, 2005).

#### **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

#### **Next Meeting**

The next Clean Water Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2005 at the Public Works Maintenance and Operations Conference Room, 4700 NE 78<sup>th</sup> Street from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Kelli Frost



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